

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS

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Traci Canavan, Associate Director LCS/Westminster Partnership, LLP, d/b/a StoneRidge Capital Square 400 Locust Street, Suite 820 Des Moines, IA 50309-2234

Re: CON Determination Report Number 04-30408-DTR

Avalon Healthcare Center at StoneRidge Outpatient Rehabilitation Services

Dear Ms. Canavan:

The Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") has reviewed your request to establish outpatient therapy services at Avalon Healthcare Center at StoneRidge located at 186 Jerry Brown Road, Mystic, Connecticut, and makes the following findings:

- 1. Avalon Healthcare Center at StoneRidge ("Avalon") is a for-profit chronic and convalescent nursing home located at 186 Jerry Brown, Road, Mystic, Connecticut.
- 2. Avalon is licensed by the State of Connecticut's Department of Public Health to provide inpatient rehabilitation services to the residents of the independent living apartments at StoneRidge, a continuing care retirement community.
- 3. Avalon can best serve the needs of the residents of StoneRidge by providing outpatient rehabilitation therapies.
- 4. The inpatient rehabilitation services are provided by Rehab Works, a national corporation that provides rehabilitation services.
- 5. Avalon proposes to contract with Rehab Works to provide outpatient rehabilitation services, including physical, occupational, and speech therapy, to the residents of StoneRidge as well as to general public living in the southeast section of Connecticut.

- 6. Outpatient rehabilitation services are covered by Medicare B insurance and on a contractual basis with third party insurance payers. Avalon is not a Medicaid certified facility.
- 7. There is no associated capital expenditure with the proposal.
- 8. According to Section 19a-639a of the Connecticut General Statutes, Residential Care Homes and Nursing Homes are exempt from Certificate of Need review by OHCA.

Based on these findings, OHCA has determined that Certificate of Need approval is not required from OHCA for Avalon Health Center at StoneRidge to proceed with its proposal to offer outpatient rehabilitation therapy services.

Please be advised that according to Section 19a-639a, C.G.S., your facility is required to register with OHCA at least ten business days but not more than sixty calendar days prior to commencing operations and prior to changing, expanding, terminating, or relocating. A copy of the registration form is attached for your convenience. Please complete the form and return it to OHCA.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Laurie Greci (860) 418-7001.

Sincerely,

Signed by Cristine A. Vogel Commissioner

cc: Rose McLellan, Licensing Examination Assistant, DHSR, DPH

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